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Patent Claims

1. A lightweight valve (1), in particular for internal combustion engines, with a valve stem (3), with a hollow valve cone (5) and with a valve disk (7) closing the valve cone hollow space on one side, valve cone-supporting means being provided in the hollow space, characterized in that the valve cone-supporting means are provided at a distance from the valve disk (7).

- 2. The lightweight valve as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the valve conesupporting means are designed in one piece with the valve stem (3).
- 3. The lightweight valve as claimed in claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the valve conesupporting means are designed on a stem connection element (17) which is formed on or fastened to the valve disk (7) and projects in a dome-like manner above the flat side facing the valve cone (5).
- 4. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the valve cone-supporting means comprise at least one supporting surface (21), and an inner wall region (23) of the valve cone (5) between which there is at least bearing contact.
- 5. The lightweight valve as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the contour of the supporting surface (21) is designed to complement the valve cone inner wall region (23).
- 6. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the valve cone-supporting means are formed by a thickening (19) on the valve stem (3), or on the stem connection element (17).
- 7. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the valve cone (5) is of disk-spring-shaped design.
- 8. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the valve cone (5) has at its end of smaller diameter a tubular projection for guiding the valve stem (3) or the stem connection element (17) designed on the valve disk (7) through.

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9. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the valve cone-supporting means form a centering and/or supporting seat for the valve cone (5).

10. The lightweight valve as claimed in one of claims 1 to 9, characterized in that a recess (9) serving as a centering and/or supporting seat for the valve cone (5) is provided in the valve disk (7).